

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

COUNCIL – 5th MARCH 2009

COUNCIL TAX - FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR 2009/10

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR: RESOURCES

1.0 PURPOSE

To seek approval of the appropriate formal resolutions to determine the levels of Council Tax for Telford & Wrekin Council for 2009/10. The levels of tax take account of the requirements of Telford & Wrekin Council, the West Mercia Police Authority, Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority, and the various Parish and Town Councils.

2.0 INFORMATION

The Council's General and Special Fund budgets for 2009/10 were agreed earlier at this meeting.

The Council Tax Base was determined at the Council Meeting held on 29th January 2009.

Based on the above information, it is now necessary to formally set Council Tax levels throughout the area for the spending requirements of Telford & Wrekin Council, The West Mercia Police Authority, Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority, and the various Parish and Town Councils. Once this report is agreed the Band D Council Tax will be:

Authority		Band D Council Tax £	Increase %
Telford & Wrekin Council	General Fund	1,061.92	2.5
	Special Fund	16.22	0.7
Telford & Wrekin Council	Total	1,078.14	2.5
West Mercia Police Authority		173.62	4.9
Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority		81.45	3.9
Parish & Town Councils		57.50	2.8
Total Council Tax		1,390.71	2.9

The % increases all relate to the change from current year levels.

While the increase for the Council's own budget is only 2.5%, when the higher precept increases which have been levied by

other local bodies are included this raises the overall increase to an average 2.9% .This average increase in overall bills represents a range from 2.66% - 3.26% depending mainly on variations in parish council spending and precepts. Telford & Wrekin Council (TWC) Special Fund is required to ring fence TWC costs relating mainly to footway lighting and cemeteries where some parishes provide and pay for this service themselves.

While the total average Band D bill will be £1,390.71 ,the majority of properties in the area fall in Bands A and B-an average bill for the area is thus around Band B ,an overall average bill of £1,081.66

The necessary formal resolutions are set out below.

3.0 FORMAL RESOLUTIONS

3.1. That it be noted that at its meeting on 29th January 2009 the Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2009/10 in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (The Act):-

(a) 50,245.0 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 (The Regulations), as its Council Tax base for the year (The Council Tax Base).

(b) **Part of the Council's Area Tax Base**

The Parish of:-

Chetwynd	241.50
Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote	162.60
Church Aston	488.80
Dawley Hamlets	2,014.20
Edgmond	530.30
Ercall Magna	612.80
The Gorge	1,102.40
Great Dawley	3,163.50
Hadley & Leegomery	4,048.10
Hollinswood & Randlay	1,568.70
Ketley	1,109.90
Kynnersley	76.70
Lawley & Overdale	1,932.50
Lilleshall & Donnington	4,321.70
Little Wenlock	236.90
Madeley	4,858.10
Newport	3,680.40
Oakengates	2,487.50
Preston	91.70
Rodington	342.30

St. Georges & Priorslee	3,826.40
Stirchley & Brookside	2,734.50
Tibberton & Cherrington	272.10
Waters Upton	392.80
Wellington	6,853.60
Wrockwardine	1,458.50
Wrockwardine Wood & Trench	1,599.80
	50,208.3

being the amounts calculated by the Council in accordance with Regulation 6 of The Regulations, as the amounts of its Council Tax Base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

3.2. That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2009/10 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of The Act:-

- (a) £403,874,153 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2) (a) to (e) of the Act.
- (b) £279,297,880 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3) (a) to (c) of the Act.
- (c) £124,576,273 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3.2(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3.2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.
- (d) £67,515,485 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its general fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates and revenue support grant, increased by the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its collection fund to its general fund in accordance with Section 97(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Council Tax Surplus) and increased by the amount of any sum which the Council estimates will be transferred from its collection fund to its general fund pursuant to the Collection Fund (Community Charges) directions made under Section 98(4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 made on 7 February 1994 (Community Charge Surplus), the Collection Fund (Adjustment for Previous Years) (England) Directions 2000 and the Local Authorities (Alteration of Requisite Calculations) (England) Regulations 2009.
- (e) £1,135.65 being the amount at 3.2(c) above less the amount at 3.2(d) above, all divided by the Council Tax base, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

- (f) £3,704,193 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (g) £1,061.92 being the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates (calculated by deducting from the amount at 3.2(e) above, the quotient of the amount at 3.2(f) above divided by the Council Tax Base). The only area that this relates to is the Parish of Eyton.

(h) <u>Part of the Council's Area</u>	£
The Parish of:	
Chetwynd	1,070.20
Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote	1,072.99
Church Aston	1,090.56
Dawley Hamlets	1,094.20
Edgmond	1,085.22
Ercall Magna	1,109.02
The Gorge	1,135.47
Great Dawley	1,168.74
Hadley & Leegomery	1,122.69
Hollinswood & Randlay	1,184.72
Ketley	1,133.99
Kynnersley	1,074.89
Lawley & Overdale	1,133.76
Lilleshall & Donnington	1,105.19
Little Wenlock	1,107.12
Madeley	1,160.67
Newport	1,173.31
Oakengates	1,151.23
Preston	1,063.01
Rodington	1,089.06
St. Georges & Priorslee	1,100.49
Stirchley & Brookside	1,192.22
Tibberton & Cherrington	1,072.02
Waters Upton	1,093.99
Wellington	1,136.60
Wrockwardine	1,091.40
Wrockwardine Wood & Trench	1,130.16

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3.2(g) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 3.1(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of

its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

- (i) The amounts in Appendix 1 being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 3.2(g) and 3.2(h) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

4. The West Mercia Police Authority's precept for 2009/10 was set at its meeting on 17th February 2009. The following amounts were stated in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

<u>Valuation Band</u>	<u>Amount</u> £
A	115.75
B	135.04
C	154.33
D	173.62
E	212.20
F	250.78
G	289.37
H	347.24

5. The Shropshire & Wrekin Fire and Rescue Authority's precept for 2009/10 was set at its meeting on 11th February 2009. The following amounts were stated in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

<u>Valuation Band</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
A	54.30
B	63.35
C	72.40
D	81.45
E	99.55
F	117.65
G	135.75
H	162.90

6. That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3.2(i) and 4 and 5 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, hereby sets the amounts in Appendix 2 as the amounts of council tax for the year 2009/10 for each of the categories of dwellings shown.
7. Background Papers
 Service & Financial Planning Report 2009/10 – 2011/12
 Parish Precept Requests
 Police Authority Precept Request
 Fire Authority Precept Request
 2009/10 Revenue Support Grant Settlement
 Acts, Directions and Regulations as quoted above.